

'PIPELINES' ON EUROPA AND UFOS OVER MIR & BAIKONUR

by Rubén Sobrino

panish ufologist Rubén Sobrino, a member of SEIP-La Coruña, recently contributed this article to the magazine *Inexplicata*. Sobrino has his own website, *Expedientes Secretos*, and is webmaster for Spain's highly popular *Mundo Misterioso*.

On 16 January of this year, almost all the newspapers in our country echoed the same remarkable news item from Moscow, carried by the prestigious EFE news agency.

The agency disclosed certain controversial statements made by Russian astrophysicist Boris Rodionov to Moscow's Komsomolskaya Pravda, in which he claimed to have proof of the existence of "a highly developed extraterrestrial civilisation on one of the satellites of the planet Jupiter". The astrophysicist also claimed that the enigmatic "flying saucer phenomenon, which has stimulated popular imagination worldwide, could well be outriders for this civilisation".

Wielding a vast amount of scientific data and photographs transmitted by NASA's Galileo probe, Rodionov, a tenured professor of microphysics and cosmophysics at the State Institute of Physical Engineering, stated that Europa, smallest of Jupiter's four main satellites, was "inhabited by an ancient and technologically advanced civilisation".

Through the use of a high-powered computer and sophisticated photographic analysis technology, the scientist managed to obtain a close-up with a record-breaking resolution of nine kilometres from the moon's surface, enabling him to make out the contours of what he calls pipelines, tunnels and spherical domes. According to Rodionov, the photo clearly shows that the lines, considered mere fissures by the scientific community, actually cross over each other like a knot of expressways.

Prof. Rodionov says that the variety of "pipelines" and "tunnels", having a diameter similar to the "Chunnel" that crosses the English Channel, is surprising. "There are 100-kilometre segments, as well as other pipelines having immense junctures or orifices between them."

Anyone may join the controversy, since the image in which Rodionov claims to see the aforementioned pipelines and tunnels is available to anyone having Internet access and a simple photo-retouching program capable of analysing it. This photo, which is available from the NASA/JPL net server that provides images for the *Galileo* mission, portrays a number of lines (fissures, in fact) which cross each other, but never at different elevations as Rodionov claims.

The fissures, having a width of 20 to 40 kilometres and a length of thousands of kilometres, are believed to be attributable to a period of global expansion on Europa caused by volcanic eruptions or geysers under its frosty surface, creating a series of fractures on the ice crust.

On 23 December 1998, another news item pertaining to the UFO phenomenon appeared in a number of papers. As with the preceding one, it also came from Moscow, but in this event the source was cosmonaut Alexandr Baladin.

Baladin stated that "flying saucers" have come into close proximity to the *Mir* space station as well as the Baikonur Cosmodrome, adding that sufficient evidence exists to warrant a scientific study of the phenomenon and that it is time that world governments officially acknowledged the UFO phenomenon's existence.

"General Vladimir Ivanov, former commander of Russia's Military Space Forces, recalls that three objects flew at a considerable altitude over the Baikonur Cosmodrome and were picked up on radar. There is no way they could have been airplanes," insisted the cosmonaut.

Baladin also disclosed at Brazil's First International Ufology Forum that he (along with fellow cosmonaut Musa Manarov) had been the protagonist of a disturbing

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experience during his second space mission.

While the docking operations between his space capsule and *Mir* were underway, Baladin became aware of a glowing object gyrating a short distance away. Manarov managed to capture the strange phenomenon on videotape, which was shown during the UFO forum. Baladin claimed that the recording, along with other evidence presented, "must be studied by an international scientific commission".

Baladin insisted that the Russian military has a great contribution to make to UFO research, giving as an example the multiple-witness case at the Kaputsin Yar missile base, whose personnel sighted a semicircular object flying at low altitude and lighting up all of the base's depots and magazines with a powerful searchlight in June 1989.

"Many of my old comrades, who are now working at top-secret military facilities, acknowledge having seen unidentified flying objects over manufacturing centres, gunnery ranges and military facilities."

In any event, Baladin made it clear that "not all that can be seen should be taken for a UFO, since it is very possible that we may be facing natural phenomena which have not been properly studied".

These explosive and unexpected statements should at least give us cause to ask many questions about what is happening in the former USSR on the ufological level. (Source: Inexplicata, http://www.inexplicata.com)

MONSANTO'S TOP-SECRET RESEARCH AND THE 'SEEDING' OF AMERICA

by Kenny Young

Tith the July 1997 publication of Philip J. Corso's *The Day After Roswell*, the retired Lieutenant Colonel, who served under Eisenhower, introduced the public to the concept of the "seeding" of American industry and corporations with exotic technology derived from recovered extraterrestrial vehicles.

In the midst of the hype and furore over the Corso publication, I couldn't help but temper my disbelief in serious consideration of his claims, because of a bizarre encounter that I have been absorbed in for nearly two years.

The Phantom Informant

In the spring of 1995 I received a phone call from a resident of Springfield, Ohio. "I wanted to tell you about certain reverse-engineering projects conducted on flying saucer components," stated the voice on the other end of the phone line. The caller had tracked me down after a statewide Associated Press newspaper article was published in a Springfield, Ohio, newspaper. The article had portrayed me as a "UFO skeptic" who questioned the possibilities of extraterrestrial visitations.

"I'm listening," I replied to the caller, expecting an outlandish or delusional account to commence. To my surprise, the gentleman on the other end of the line

sounded cognisant, sane and knowledgeable.

"A friend of mine was an employee at Monsanto Research Corporation, on Nicholas Road near Dayton, Ohio..."

The caller (who claimed to be formerly of the military) and I had agreed to meet for lunch at a restaurant south of Dayton within two weeks.

I had contacted two acquaintances, Carla and Lois, who shared my interest in accounts of the bizarre, and we all thought it would be intriguing to meet the informant and receive his news.

"I wanted to tell you about certain reverse-engineering projects conducted on flying saucer components," stated the voice on the other end of the phone line.

We left Cincinnati with plenty of time to spare and, reaching the Dayton area an hour before our appointment, decided to venture to the Monsanto Research Complex, the focal point of the drama.

Having been given directions to the facility by the informant, we found the complex easily. Situated near Interstate 75 on Nicholas Road, south of Dayton, the facility is now operating under the name of Quality Chemical, and from the road it appears to be several big, box-shaped buildings surrounded by fencing. The top halves of the windowless buildings are riddled with air ducts, protruding ventilation shafts and metal railings.

Approaching the main gate, a security guard put down his sandwich and hitched his pants up around his big belly. "Can I help you?"

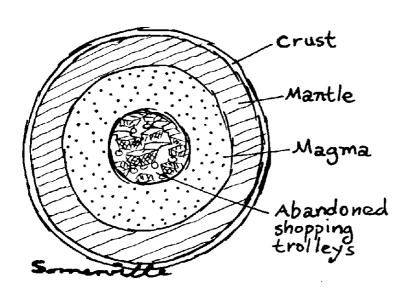
"I am conducting a research project on corporations in this area, and am curious to know if this facility was once called Monsanto Research," I said, just to break the ice, even though I already knew the answer

"Yes it was, several years ago."

"Do you know what type of research projects were done here?" I asked, hoping for something juicy.

"Nope, but it was some classified project from Wright-Patterson Air Force Base."

Carla and Lois thanked the security



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officer after we had gleaned everything possible from him—including details of several large fires that had occurred years prior. Driving away, we were unanimously impressed by the statement from the watchman regarding a classified Air Force project. Even though unaware of the specific activities performed at the facility he was guarding, the officer had provided soft corroboration of Air Force affiliation—an affiliation we were now on our way to verify through the offerings of the mysterious whistleblower who would later be known as "the Phantom Informant".

We met the gentleman as he waited in his car outside the restaurant. Parking next to him, we greeted one another and entered the restaurant. Telling the gentleman of our recent experience with the security guard, he smiled with a self-assured grin and said, "That's interesting."

"Tell us about this friend of yours," came the question from Carla after food was ordered.

"He's dead, now...but he used to work at Monsanto and had a security clearance," said the former military officer. "Evidently, as the story goes, parts and components from a flying saucer were taken to the Monsanto facility and kept there for a number of years. The situation was kept quiet and, surprisingly, extensive security precautions had been deemed unnecessary. The low-intensity security provided a good cover for the highly classified project."

"Where did this flying saucer come from?" came the next obvious question.

"I don't know, but we've all heard stories about Roswell," said the informant as he sought to deflect the anxious questions and stay on his point. "Anyhow, there were a number of other operations at the facility that had also been going on, and there had been several accidents over the years. One involved a chemical explosion which resulted in a large fire."

Carla chanced a quick glance to Lois, recalling the earlier statement from the security guard.

"One particular accident occurred as a result of experimentation with gravity waves. This person was injured and taken to the Miami Valley Hospital where he was held a while for observation. He was released later in the evening, but he was said to be disoriented for a while.

"Much of the reverse-engineering research was regarding gravity waves. In

fact, at one point I was told of a rod or baton-like instrument that could be pointed at a heavy block of concrete. When they would point this rod at the block, they could lift it up into the air...almost magically.

"There were also some nuclear materials that were produced at the location, and they were taken discreetly by the truckload to Jackass Flats for burial and disposal. The whole facility was contaminated at one time."

"Did this contamination have anything to do with the components?" I asked, trying to home-in on the UFO discussion.

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"I'm sure some of it could have," he replied with uncertainty, giving us the impression that he wasn't seemingly a "know-it-all". "But the real story is the man who came in."

Monsanto's Mysterious Visitor

"According to my late friend, apparently there was a certain person who visited Monsanto under armed escort. He had paid visits about a half-dozen times from the late '60s to the early '70s. This well-dressed person had a security clearance to get in, and was allowed to interact with the employees there."

The term "interact" caused eyebrows to raise as the Phantom Informant paused to allow his enigmatic comment to sow the seed of curiosity.

"He talked to them," the informant clarified, "but he wasn't a regular person. This individual would talk with the workers and discuss certain matters about routine job duties and inspections, and, more cryptically, would discuss matters about their own personal lives. He knew things he wasn't supposed to know."

"What do you mean, 'he wasn't a regular person'?" asked Carla intensely.

"I mean, he wasn't a regular person. He looked normal, just like you or me, even wore a nice business suit, but he wasn't a regular person. He talked to the people and, when he did, he ruined them. He knew things he shouldn't have. He talked with my friend, and whatever he said that day traumatised him for the rest of his life. His widow told me that from that day forward he sat up on the edge of his bed at nights, in a cold sweat, and wondered about that man. He said, 'That man knew everything about me.'"

According to the informant, "parts and components" of an exotic and unknown technology were taken from Wright-Patterson Air Force Base in Dayton, Ohio, and reverse-engineered at the Monsanto Research Lab on Nicholas Road under light security. The parts were duplicated there and taken elsewhere for re-assembly.

Not satisfied with gleaning these details from a second-hand source, I sought more details of the deceased gentleman in question. I was told that the wife of this worker talked to the informant on plenty of occasions, for they had been acquaintances through their mutual association with the worker and continue to talk years after the death of the worker.

The account, if true, remains unverifiable at present. However, with the implication of Monsanto by Colonel Philip Corso and his book, two years later, and with the recent admissions by Bell Labs and American Computer Company, the bizarre tale of the reverse-engineered parts and components from the Monsanto Research Complex may simply be another piece in a warped and convoluted puzzle that is too strange to be true—and, if true, too difficult to believe.

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